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FM AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE

TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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TAGS: PFOR, KN, KS, CM

SUBJECT: NOFTH KOREAN DEPUTY PREMIER/FOREIGN MINISTER VISITS
CAMEROON

REF: (A) DAKAR 574 (B) LAGOS 895

1. SEVEN MAN DPRK DELEGATION LED BY DEPUTY PREMIER AND
MINISTER FOREIGN RELATIONS HO TAM ARRIVED CAMEROON EITHER
JAN 27 OR 28 AND PROBABLY LEFT FEB 1 FOR BANGUI ON RK 431,
ETA 2015.

2. VISIT HAS RECEIVED NO PUBLICITY SO FAR AND IT NOT CLEAR IF
FOREIGN MINISTER SAW ANY HIGH GURC OFFICIALS. GENERAL DELEGATE
FOR TOURISM (SUB MINISTERIAL RANK) AND SECRETARY GENERAL
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WERE AT AIRPORT AT TIME OF
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DEPARTURE, BUT BECAUSE THEY KEPT SEPARATE FROM NORTH
KOREANS, IT UNCLEAR IF THEY WERE THERE FOR DELEGATION
DEPARTURE OR OTHER PURPOSE, SINCE THEY LEFT BEFORE PLANE
TOOK OFF. PRC AMBASSADOR DID SEE DELEGATION OFF.

3. SMALL DIPLOMATIC CONTRETEMPS OCCURRED WHEN
NORTH KOREANS COMPLAINED THAT SOUTH KOREAN THIRD SECRETARY

AND WIFE SOUTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR WERE IN VIP LOUNGE TO COLLECT INFORMATION (THEY WERE IN FACT AWAITING ARRIVAL SOUTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR). RESULT WAS THAT EVERYONE, INCLUDING US DCM AND POLITICAL OFFICER WHO WERE TAKING CARE OF OWN VISITORS, WERE ASKED TO MOVE TO ANOTHER ROOM.

4. SO FAR NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON WHOM DELEGATION SAW OR IF ANY AID OFFERS MADE. HOWEVER, IT MOST UNUSUAL FOR VISITING FOREIGN MINISTER REMAIN FOR AT LEAST FOUR DAYS WITH NO PUBLICITY WHATSOEVER.

5. SOUTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR YOON SURMISES THAT VISIT MAY HAVE BEEN RELATED TO FAILURE OF FORMER NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO BECOME DEAN AND NEED TO HAVE HIM RETURN TO KOREA ONE MONTH AGO. ACCORDING TO YOON, HO TAM MARRIED NIECE PRESIDENT KIM IL SONG.

6. ACCORDING YOON, DELEGATION LEFT NORTH KOREAN JAN 4 AND SCHEDULED VISIT SENEGAL, TOGO, GABON, TANZANIA. HE UNAWARE NIGERIAN STOP.

7. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS ON VISIT SOUTH KOREAN PRESIDENT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.
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